



Brownfields 2006 Grant Fact Sheet

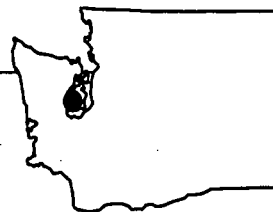
Bremerton, WA

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The City of Bremerton was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. Located in northwestern Washington, west of Seattle, Bremerton (population 38,000) was once a thriving port city and naval facility. Its economic decline started in the 1970s. Between 1976 and 2002, no new structures were built in the urban core of the city. Up to 57 percent of the residents in the neighborhoods that surround the targeted brownfields live in poverty. When brownfields are revitalized, they will be used for light industry redevelopment, marina services and businesses, and park lands. Brownfields redevelopment will provide jobs for the city's most economically disadvantaged residents, invite movement to urban centers, stimulate economic development, and improve the quality of life for residents.



Assessment Grant

New
2006

\$200,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the City of Bremerton for a brownfields assessment grant. Petroleum grant funds will be used for conducting Phase I and II environmental site assessments, implementing community outreach and developing cleanup plans and redevelopment options for the Old Bremerton Gasworks and Sesko Properties. Between the 1920s and 1980s, these sites had multiple uses, including bulk fuel storage, electroplating, concrete manufacturing, gas manufacturing, and a salvage yard.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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<http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/CLEANUPNSF/sites/bf>

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The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

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